

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Bruno BRET, et al.

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For: USE OF METALLIC GLUCONATE SALTS IN THE  
PRODUCTION OF ANTIMICROBIAILY ACTIVE SUBSTRATES

Group: 3761

Examiner: K.L. Gibson

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 13, 2007

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing a response within the first month subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action mailed August 13, 2007. A credit card payment form in the amount of \$120.00 to cover the required fee for the requested extension of time is attached hereto.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (935.44285X00) and excess fees credited to account.

Respectfully submitted,

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